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REMARKS

Pursuant to our telephone conversation conducted with the Examiner Zewdu on February 13, 2004 discussing the claims in view of U.S. patent 6,192,249 to Padovani, it was agreed that all of the independent claims distinguish from Padovani. However, the Examiner desired that claims 1, 13 and 45 be slightly reworded in order to state explicitly what was implied in those claims that the number of increase transmit power control commands (in claims 1 and 45), as well as the number of decrease transmit power control commands (claim 13), result from a counting process. Accordingly, Applicants present those amendments here. As agreed, the application is now in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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